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Health team is filling in the blanks

MATT JAMES
Staff Reporter

County residents face many challenges when they want to access primary health care but the new Haliburton Highlands Health Team is taking steps to remove some of those barriers.

The team includes doctors, dietitians, pharmacists and registered nurses, and has recently welcomed two nurse practitioners to help ensure that patients get the care they need as soon as they need it.

But what exactly is a nurse practitioner and what do they do?

Kathy McLaughlin and Deborah Hare-Colpitts are the recently-added nurse practitioners. "We're another health-care provider, along with dietitians, nurses, and pharmacists," said Hare-Colpitts. "We can work together to meet the primary healthcare needs of our community."

In a way, they work the same way as a physician. "We can order certain blood work, X-rays, ultrasounds, lab work, and writing prescriptions," said McLaughlin. "We have a certain list of medications that we can write."

When a situation arises outside of their scope of practice, nurse practitioners ask for a doctor's opinion, or collaborate with the doctor, perhaps with their own suggestions.

The advantage of having a nurse practitioner on the team is illustrated when, for example, someone comes in with diabetes. A nurse practitioner can make sure patient are all right by monitoring progress as

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Budget reduction squeaks by

GREG HOEKSTRA
Staff Reporter

Dysart residents and businesses will see some relief in their tax bills this year.

Municipal councillors voted narrowly in favour of reducing the proposed tax hike from 16 per cent to 10 per cent last week.

On the same day that the final budget was to be approved, Haliburton BIA representatives Andy Chvedukas of Kitchens Etc. and Anthony van Lieshout of van Lieshout Realty told council that the proposed increase would be a devastating blow to businesses, many of which are still reeling from last

year's tornadoes and December's "green Christmas."

"Businesses in Haliburton have experienced extremely trying times over the past year. Recycling costs, hydro increases, fuel costs, and labour costs have made it tough for all businesses across the board," said Chvedukas. "Add that to the

fact that tornadoes and lack of snow created a lack of tourism."

Both Chvedukas and van Lieshout were trying to be realistic in their demands and acknowledged that a tax increase was inevitable due to rising costs and inflation. But both were concerned that the

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GREG HOEKSTRA/Echo

Smile for the cameras

Angela Nicholson, Jessie Stamp and Natalia Rico captured this once-in-a-lifetime moment by snapping photos of themselves in their prom dresses on Friday evening. The three, along with their graduating peers from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, danced the night away at the Delta Pinestone Resort. For more photos see page 3.

Highlands East digs itself out of landfill problem

GREG HOEKSTRA
Staff Reporter

Highlands East Environmental and Property Supervisor Glen Covert may have just solved the municipality's land-

fill crisis.

Last month, during a presentation by environmental consultant Dave Cambium, council learned that the regulations governing small and mid-sized landfills had changed. Whereas

in the past, any landfill under 40,000 cubed metres was exempt from completing a rigorous environmental assessment, Cambium told council that figure had now been raised to 100,000 cubed metres.

As a result, Cambium suggested that council take advantage of the new regulations by establishing a new landfill site. However, after weeks of deliberation, Covert has come up with

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Health unit says pay raise will help it attract staff

The local Board of Health has ratified two new contracts that it says will enable the Health Unit to attract and retain public health professionals.

The new three-year contracts provide an increase in wages designed to bring the salaries offered by the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District closer to those of neighbouring health units, said Dr. Lynn Noseworthy, Medical Officer of Health.

The contracts cover approximately 90 employees in the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) and approximately 35 employees in the Ontario Nurses Association (ONA).

In some cases, neighbouring health units were paying \$10,000-\$12,000 per year more than the HKPR, Dr.

Noseworthy said, making it very difficult to recruit and retain certain public health professionals.

"There is a finite pool of public health professionals and 36 Ontario health units all competing to hire them," said Dr. Noseworthy. "Given the difference in our salaries compared with other health units in the area, it's been very difficult for us to compete to attract or retain the type of staff we need to do our work."

The ratified contracts provide Health Unit staff with a three per cent increase every January and July over the course of the contract. By phasing in the increase this way, it minimizes the overall effect to the Health Unit's budget, Dr. Noseworthy said. These increases bring the salaries closer to the levels of neighbouring health units and local health care organizations, she said.

Dr. Noseworthy estimates it costs the Health Unit thousands of dollars to recruit staff. "It's very costly and frustrating for us to go through this process and then see new recruits leave to go to a neighbouring health unit where they can make more money."

Board Chair Peter Delanty said the Board of Health discussed potential contract increases when deliberat-

ing the recent Health Unit budget. Although the Health Unit is facing a small budget shortfall for the coming year, Delanty said the contract increases were factored into the budget and it's something that can be sustained by the organization's budget.

"It was advantageous that both the budget deliberations and contract negotiations were taking place at the same time as it allowed the Board of Health to go through the process and ensure these contracts could be supported by the Health Unit's budget," Delanty said.

Although the increase is greater than those awarded in recent contracts, Delanty said it was an important step in bringing the Health Unit's wages closer to neighbouring health units and local health care organizations. It will allow the Health Unit to fill its employment gaps to better provide public health services to the communities it serves, he said.

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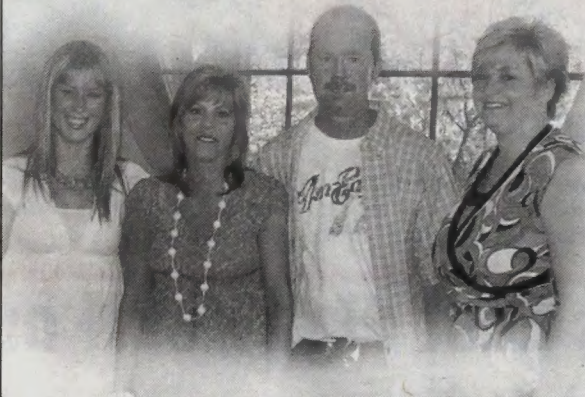
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Outdoors club targets archers

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association has pulled back, aimed, and fired off a plan to start an archery club.

The association hopes it will score a bull's-eye at a public meeting to drum up support for the plan on June 11.

"We've toyed with the idea for 10 years," said Keith Hodgson, president of the Outdoors Association. "We kept talking and talking, and finally said let's do it."

The association owns 15 acres at its fish hatchery on County Road 1. The non-profit organization, founded in 1992, is currently making use of only three to four acres. Hodgson wants the property put to good use and felt an archery club would help gain a few new members and get youth involved.

There are 200-300 club members and very few are kids. Part of the idea is to get youth, ages 10 and up, involved before they enroll for the hunter apprenticeship course. It will also give parents an activity to do with their kids.

The proposed archery course plans to have between 10 and 20 archery lanes or stations, and the club is studying the

safety policies and rules and regulations of other established clubs such as Apsley, Bancroft, and Tory Hill.

Once the archery club is established Hodgson would like to see kids involved in weekly activities, learning the art from association volunteers.

Hodgson encourages people to come out to the June 11 meeting and to suggest anything they might like to see happen for the club.

The Outdoors Association hopes to have the club up and running between Aug. 1 and Sept. 1 and they're also seeking an interested group to form an executive committee.

Though they've always operated the fish hatchery and run special programs, there isn't a lot they've been able to do for the hunting side of things.

"We want to give hunters an opportunity to use the property as well," Hodgson says.

Volunteers at the club are now 60, 70, and 80 years old and combining the two groups is "an opportunity to revitalize the club too," said Hodgson.

The archery club will be a support arm of the HHOA.

So, if the idea of an archery club is on target the public is welcomed to the meeting to express their ideas and what they want out of the club.

Council hopes province will approve plan to extend landfill lifespan

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an alternative solution that he feels could solve the municipality's headaches for another quarter of a century.

"What I've said to Dave is, if that's the case, then why do we want to start anything new?" he told council recently. "Instead, why don't we increase the capacity to 80,000 cubic metres at all four of our landfills - so we're not even getting close to the 100,000, and are leaving a buffer zone at each one of them - because that would allow Highlands East to have somewhere around 30 years of lifespan left, all at once."

Covert suggested that the municipality have Cambium prepare a letter for the Ministry of Environment that proposes the idea and asks for feedback. That way, the municipality can know whether the idea will fly before pushing forward.

"If it goes well, we could end up getting these all done this year," he said.

Council seemed both pleased and relieved by Covert's optimism, and for good reason. Since being elected last November, this group of councillors has known that the municipality could face a waste management crisis during their four-year term, with a number of the municipality's landfills nearing capacity.

With that in mind, Councillors Suzanne Partridge and Deputy-reeve Jim Mackie continued to push for higher diversion (recycling) rates, which would help ease the burden on area landfills.

Council passed a motion to force people to use clear garbage bags, effective January 1, 2008. This will help landfill attendants make sure that people are recycling.

GREG HOEKSTRA/Echo



At Saturday night's high school prom at the Delta Pinestone, Julie Bagg, Casey Lewis and Porsche Bagg pose for their prom photos.

Nicole Baumgartner poses with her dog, Molly, during a pre-prom party at the Baumgartner residence.

Janelle Campbell and Derek Nesbitt, prom king and queen, stare into each other's eyes while sharing a dance.

As the night wound down, only a handful of couples remained on the dance floor, determined to hold one another tight until the lights came on and the magical evening came to an end.

Snowmobilers keep the faith despite bad winter

JESSICA YOUNG

Staff Reporter

Who would be thinking about snow when everyone else in Haliburton was enjoying a sunny and gorgeous long weekend?

Roughly 20 people chose to stay indoors and think about winter at the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association's annual general meeting Saturday night at the Wigamog Inn.

HCSA president Doug Mahood summarized the ups and downs of the past season. With winter cut short and little snow, the group enjoyed only eight weeks of riding compared to the usual 10 to 14 weeks that members typically spent on the trails.

"The season was short but we did a very good job with the time we had," said Mahood.

The trails were smooth for riders thanks to five groomer operators grooming 40 hours a week. "We had a lot of positive feedback about our grooming," said Mahood.

The club hopes to buy a new groomer this year to ensure that its fleet is working well. "Each groomer costs about \$130,000," Mahood says. "It's a huge

JESSICA YOUNG/ECHO



Marj Mahood, treasurer of the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association, says the club is looking for young volunteers to give it new energy.

capital investment in the snowmobiling industry."

The group hasn't bought a new piece of

machinery in five years, says HCSA director Tom Nicholson, and the new groomer is ideal for local trails.

"This is a smaller machine. Some of the trails are quite narrow and steep, so this machine will be good," said Nicholson.

The price tag for a new groomer seems hefty but Mahood says it's well worth the investment. Snowmobiling is one of Haliburton's largest attractions and the organization is ready to provide great trails to keep visitors coming.

"The economic return to the community for snowmobiling is in the millions.

People come and enjoy snowmobiling, winterize their cottages and make them into four-season homes. All the local businesses benefit. There's a huge economic impact," he said.

With such a short season, sales of season passes were down 10 per cent. The association usually sells about 2,500 passes each year.

"Trail passes are still \$180 for the entire season which is a bargain compared to the cost of downhill skiing," Mahood said.

The association has to address the problem of ATVs using snowmobile trails. The HCSA wants to prevent access to trails that are on private lands.

"ATVs are using the trails without permission. We're starting to have to put gates up on the trails on private property. That's certainly becoming a big issue," said Mahood.

On a positive note, the association thanked its dedicated volunteers.

"With the storms we had a lot of trees down. Without the volunteers, we couldn't have got the trails up," said Mahood.

Volunteers are the lifeblood of the organization, and the group is hoping that more young people will join HCSA and contribute to their sport.

Treasurer Marj Mahood says that last season the group saw a 50 per cent increase in volunteers with 35 people helping out.

"We're looking for new blood in the club. We need some new energetic young people with a commitment to the future of snowmobiling in Haliburton," she said.

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Birdie Murphy ready to test joys of retirement

LAURA HENDRICK

Staff Reporter

The children at Wilberforce Elementary School were almost outnumbered by watchful eyes on a recent Tuesday afternoon. With two principals, a cluster of parents and a team of 12 police officers at the school, there was little opportunity to stick gum in a classmate's hair.

Luckily, the kids were not in need of distraction. As part of Education Week and the Pedal for Hope fundraiser, the day was packed with ice cream eating contests, dancing police officers and even a little bit of shopping through the school's book fair.

Principal Birdie Murphy, who was in the process of handing the reins over to Joanie Croft, invited parents to visit the school to see how programs such as the breakfast club work. At 8:15 a.m. the two women were buttering bagels as they prepared to switch roles.

"I put the cheese on every second one," Murphy said as she put the trimmings on the last bagel. The table was arranged in meticulous order with rows of juice, cantaloupe, yogurt and bagels ready to be grabbed by hungry children. "And that's basically the breakfast program."

With six years under her belt,

Murphy makes programs like the breakfast club look deceptively simple. She has been moving slowly into retirement since December when a car accident put her successor in hospital with multiple neck fractures. It would take Croft several months to return to a life on foot. In the meantime, Murphy has shared principal duties with kindergarten teacher Barb Davies while bouncing back and forth from the Highlands to Florida.

"It's been a gentle way of retiring," said Murphy, who admits that even in Florida she was tied to the apron strings of her school. She corresponded with staff through her laptop, while rediscovering the joys of swimming, jogging and television after 9 p.m. "I was really kind of relishing it."

The transition was anything but gentle for Croft, who was given three days' notice of her Monday start date. She had been housebound in Port Perry since December. Upon hearing the news, she packed up her car, grabbed her dog, and got behind the wheel. Now, with four-hour naps after school, she is beginning to meet the physical demands of the day.

"I was just exhausted," she said of her first day on the job. "But I want to maintain the great things that are happening.

I've got big shoes to fill."

As her voice, made hoarse from medication, heals itself, she talks of bringing more musical theatre to the school. Croft enjoys producing classic shows like Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Sound of Music*.

Otherwise, she wants to learn the secrets of Murphy's success, such as how she keeps up a fleet of parent volunteers. "You don't want to burn out your volunteer base," said Croft.

On this Tuesday morning, Murphy introduced her to several of the parents who were at the school for Education Week. Lori Drew, who said she "practically lives here", tried to keep her daughter, Jade McCartney, 9,

on budget at the book fair before sending her over to the breakfast club.

"It's great. It's like a little home community," Drew said when describing the school. She will be working alongside Croft for "healthy snack", a program that runs on Monday and Wednesdays, which are off days to the breakfast club.

All these traditions were a welcome sight for Croft who shares Murphy's commitment to a well-nourished student body. She believes a child needs to learn about the physical and social aspects of life in addition to receiving a formal education.

The crash course Murphy gave seemed to uncover more of these

similarities than differences. She left out few details in her tour, even filling Croft in on the politics of providing both half and half and two per cent milk in the staff fridge.

Murphy said she felt a little twinge when Croft showed up on Monday and it hit her that retirement was really happening. But the school is not being handed over to a stranger. The two first met eight years ago when Murphy mentored Croft as a special education consultant. The characteristics she saw then have assured her that the school will be well cared for.

"I noticed then that she was very eager to learn," Murphy recalled.



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With one day left until formal retirement, Birdie Murphy (left) gives the new principal of Wilberforce Elementary School, Joanie Croft, some tips about the job.



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If they were envious of all that "easy money", they should come back to Haliburton on a Tuesday in February. There's absolutely no problem getting a parking space on the deserted streets when it's -20° outside.

This is a tough place to own a business, perhaps not on the Saturday of a long weekend, or in July and August, but when you have to spread your income over the full 365 days of the year. In Muskoka, summers are so wildly busy that many store owners shut their doors after Thanksgiving and go south for the winter. Few business owners in the Highlands could contemplate such a luxury. They have to slug it out from

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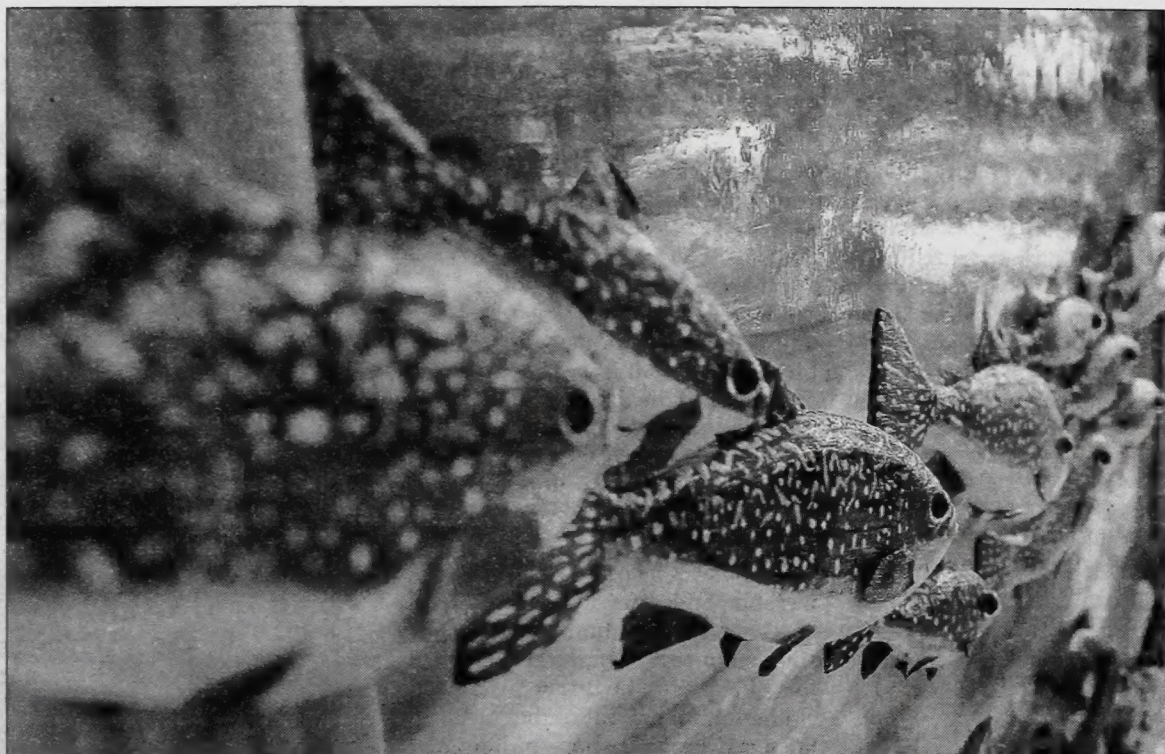
October to May with the hopes that the summer gods will bring them plenty of sunshine, rain only in the evening hours and no raging tornadoes.

Perhaps because they know how hard it is to make money in the Highlands, business owners are sensitive about how much they have to spend on taxes. A commercial property valued at \$300,000 is taxed at almost three times the rate as a residential cottage valued at the same amount. And yet they don't, on average, receive any more services than the residential property owner does. (Okay, they have streetlights but everyone within the village pays extra for those.) Downtown business owners pay to take their garbage to the dump, they pay for sewage hook-ups, they pay a Business Improvement Area tax to help pay for street decorations. They pay for all of these things whether 1,000 people come into their store or 10.

Dysart council simply had to take this reality into account when drafting this year's budget. While planning for the future is important, so too is recognizing the realities of today. Municipalities need their rainy day reserve funds but taxpayers need councillors to assume there will be a few sunny days in between.

It's almost ironic that business owners – and all Dysart property owners – are applauding a 10 per cent tax rate increase. They're so relieved that the increase isn't 16 per cent that they've forgotten the days when municipal politicians were campaigning on zero budget increases. Ten per cent compared to 16 – isn't that wonderful! Was it really only a decade ago that politicians would have had their ears chewed off by daring to even consider a double-digit increase? Five per cent was the limit of acceptability.

Meanwhile, as heated as council debates can get, there is still a need for decorum. These elected officials are, after all, supposed to be our community leaders. There are few people who don't let a swear word or two sneak into their vocabulary but those words should never be uttered in a council chambers. Swearing in such a public place demeans public office. (For those readers who are upset that our Dysart budget coverage included one of those four-letter words we apologize. It's just as shocking to read a swear word as it is to hear one in a council meeting. We wanted the use of the word to jar readers, and jar it does. We'll try not to do it again – as long as those words are not used during a council meeting again.



Fish out of water.

Photo by MATT JAMES/ECHO

Witty remarks for every occasion

OF ALL THE WEAPONS in a sportsman's arsenal, the witty remark is perhaps the most lethal and renowned. Whether a sportsman is being swept down a canyon by a flash flood or taken to new and, as yet, undiscovered levels of low ground by the forces of gravity, a witty remark is generally all that is needed to show that he is enjoying the situation. Or, at least, it dispels the myth that these things are not what he had originally intended.

In days of yore, sportsmen never needed to be concerned about witty remarks. That's because, at the appropriate moment, they had a trusty pipe to draw on. Drawing on a pipe was the equivalent of at least three witty remarks and it generally impressed everyone, especially if you could do it while being swept down a canyon by a flash flood.

These days, however, a pipe is no longer stylish. Because of this, a sportsman has to rely on his wit and an air of nonchalance to prevent him from looking entirely stupid.

The sad part is that standards of wit have risen considerably since I was a boy. For instance, "Eeeyeeeeeeeh!" or "Abababa!" used to be the height of sophistication when used properly in an outdoors setting. In fact it was something you'd almost expect to hear when a fellow outdoorsman suddenly looked down only to realize he was standing right in the middle of a raging campfire.

If he had any wit about him at all, he'd merely utter one of those two time-honoured phrases, hop nonchalantly towards the nearest water bucket, and continue bragging about how he is the pinnacle of alertness when stalking through the woods. Hopefully, the water bucket would be nearby, because the sophistication factor was greatly reduced if he had to hop

nonchalantly for any distance beyond 50 feet.

Unfortunately, these days, even a common situation like that calls for a far more elegant statement, perhaps one with two syllables in it.

This might be best illustrated by my latest witty remark, which was born of precisely the same predicament.

"Has anyone seen my glasses?" was, I believe, the high-water mark for such a situation – a perfect blend of old-style wit, mirthful expression, and genial family humour. Unfortunately, unless you listened very closely, it sounded very much like "Abababa!" and even the inherent wit of that proven remark was somewhat diminished by my

three-mile hop in search of a water-filled bucket, which began nonchalantly enough but eventually took on a marathon-like air of whimpering desperation.

In the old days, that scenario would have played out very differently. The lucky outdoorsman would have simply blown a few blue-gray rings towards the heavens and spoken rather calmly about the pleasures of smoking. And some people would have thought he was referring to his pipe too.

Once, while feeling quite nostalgic, I tried reviving the pipe-smoking outdoorsman image. Sadly, I discovered that I was allergic to the soap used these days to produce the bubbles. Which is too bad because otherwise a pipe suited me.

In any case, if you always remember that a witty remark is expected of you whenever you find yourself in situations more conducive to an adult diaper commercial, you will be remembered fondly by your fellow hunters and fishermen.

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John's chickens

DAWN ARRIVED SLOWLY, like a cautious relative not sure of her welcome, turning the sky a softly indiscriminate beige. Sarah had been excited about making this trip with her friend Christine who had been born and raised in Florida. They had arrived only yesterday. While it was homecoming for Christine, the visit south was a totally new experience for Sarah. They were staying at the family home with Christine's mother Marie and brother John. But it had been a long journey, with Christine doing most of the driving for two days and they had both arrived exhausted. Sarah had done little more than meet Marie and John before collapsing into bed and blissful sleep.



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The smells of country ham frying and coffee brewing had awakened her. Not wanting to miss a single moment of exploration in this new place, she threw on some clothes and went out to the kitchen. Marie was busy pulling together the pieces for breakfast while John stood by the window, peering out.

John had just turned forty but in thinking and personality, he was much younger. A trauma at birth had starved his brain of oxygen, leaving him with a label of 'handicapped'. Of course there were still many things John could do very well and Marie counted on him for much of the physical work around the house. In truth, they depended on each other.

Making a comment about how good the food looked and how lazy Christine was for still being in bed, Sarah glanced over at John, who had parted the curtains for a better view of the side yard. He was looking uneasy.

Marie explained that their neighbours had just bought six fine-looking chickens but John was not yet used to them and was keeping an eye on them. Sarah looked over John's shoulder and saw a picture-perfect scene of colourfully marked poultry strutting and pecking at the ground. However, this latter behaviour caused John's face to turn red and he began muttering under his breath.

Marie explained that John had put a grass seed mix down the week before but the combination of sand instead of topsoil and the ongoing drought had resulted in nothing germinating. Now the new chickens were enjoying the fruits of John's labour as they happily gobbled up the seed. John found it outrageous that the birds walked over to his property and helped themselves whenever the mood struck them. Although Marie tried to dismiss the whole business as unimportant, John would not be mollified. In his eyes, the chickens were not only trespassers but thieves to boot.

Despite Marie's soothing words, John could bear the affront no longer and stormed outside in his sock feet. He waved his arms and looked cross, watching to see the response. For their part, the chickens none too hurriedly moved out of his reach but continued to randomly peck at the thin, dry ground. This proved too much for John and he stepped up his efforts, now calling the chickens unpleasant names and threatening them with dire consequences if they did not leave immediately. And so they did, in a series of little skips and hops through a break in the trees along the property line.

John came back inside, feeling the mission had been accomplished. Still, he wondered aloud why they wanted to come to his yard of all places. Marie said they must like it better than their own and, besides, there was no fence. However, John knew life had rules to be followed and one such rule was to not go where you were not wanted.

Later that afternoon, long after Christine had arisen and they had all gone to town to see the sights, Sarah was reading a novel on the screened porch, when she heard squawking and rustling sounds. Looking up, she saw John with the hose in hot pursuit of the chickens. He had caught them trespassing again and wanted to give them a good scare. They disappeared through the vegetation faster this time and he seemed satisfied they would no longer be helping themselves to his grass seed.

Unfortunately, he was wrong. For the duration of Sarah and Christine's stay, John would appear at the most unexpected times, pursuing the chickens. Whether a single errant bird or the whole bunch, John gave chase with equal vigor. Eventually Sarah began to wonder if the whole exercise had become a game.

She had observed one of the chickens hop from the ground up onto the deck railing and then, with some hesitation, up onto the roof where it ambled about. John came around the side of the house and Sarah filled him in on what had just happened. Flabbergasted, John looked up and then ran to the front to see where the chicken was. When he saw it above the front door, he spoke gently to it, coaxing it down to a safer perch. Then, as it neared the ground, John ran for the hose and scurried it off the property once again, grinning the entire time.

When Sarah told Marie what had happened, she shook her head sadly. Noting the prevalence of wild animals and lack of a real hen house, she doubted the chickens would be around very long. Then John would look outside in vain for his chickens to chase.



pic of the past

THIS WEEK'S PIC OF THE PAST was sent to us by Fay Hawthorn. The photo is of her father, William Dummitt, who worked at Curry's lumber camp. The date on the photo is 1932. We thank her for sharing this memory with our readers.

letters to the editor

Fence-sitting not a politically mature act

To the Editor:

Re. "Scott's silence took 'political maturity,'" letter

I will agree with the Wilsons that it was a great "political" move for MPP Laurie Scott to stay silent regarding the asphalt plant. But only in the sense that it was the best way to play the political game and keep as many voters on her side as possible. Sitting on the fence is not a political act, nor an act of maturity.

Our country was not founded on fence-sitting and general apathy. The very institutions and morals that Canada was built on were founded by politicians choosing a side, often going against the grain and fighting hard-won battles; by politicians showing bravery and initiative.

So bravo to Laurie Scott for not offending anybody but let's not mistake politicking as political maturity.

Marcus Stong
Irondale

Peace and quiet goes boom

To the Editor:

On Saturday night of the Victoria Day weekend, cottagers on our side of the lake spent the evening vying for first place status with cottagers on the other side to discover who had the best fireworks display. Competition was fierce to see who had the loudest, brightest, longest, most intrusive fireworks. It was a close call, but the cottage a few lots from us won hands down. No surprise as they must have spent big bucks to begin their display shortly after dark enabling them to continue until long after ten.

Even with all our windows and doors shut, the noise was horrendous. Not to mention the air pollution that each one emits. I can only imagine how this invasion on tranquility affects the wildlife in the area. Did I mention that presently most birds are on their nests procreating?

Because this is "cottage country" there seems to be this "I can do anything I want, at any time of day or night" mentality. Letting off fireworks, as one feels the "need" to, is high on the list for some who head north.

Whatever happened to spending "quiet, peaceful" time in cottage country enjoying the

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Exhibit celebrates water: Precious. Pure. Preserve.

Artists pay homage to water and the need to conserve it at *Splash!*, an exhibit at the Ethel Curry Gallery

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

For the next three weeks inside the Ethel Curry Gallery, our most under-appreciated resource will be recognized through an art exhibit called *Splash!*

Two rooms have been dedicated to the artwork of several featured artists, including Sue Forbes, Jill Segal, Kai-Liis McInnes, and Karen Sloan.

"We asked them to focus their work around water and the need to conserve and preserve it," says Jody Curry, the gallery's co-owner, "so the pieces you see in this room are the result of that."

The exhibit boasts a number of eclectic pieces, each more eye catching than the next. The bright colours were enough to make any lingering winter blahs disappear.

Proceeds from the exhibit, which runs until June 10, will support the Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council.

Council co-ordinator Nicole Tuyten says, "We are proud to support this particular exhibit because it's all about artists and art, and people who are concerned with water conservation. We're fortunate enough to have a piece of art donated by the Ethel Curry Gallery, which was done by Sue Forbes, and all of the proceeds of the sale of that piece are going towards our water stewardship projects."

Such projects include the Children's Water Festival, Kids and Cops Fishing Day and Take A Kid Fishing. The stewardship council also helps waterfront property owners and forest owners decide what kind of projects should happen in Haliburton.

This is the first time that artists, the gallery and the council have collaborated for such an event.



This art worked named Reeds on Ripples, by Sue Forbes, is one of many works of art hanging in the gallery.

"This show is very much about stewardship and bringing awareness to water," said Forbes. "It's very exciting that the four women artists have this opportunity to bring our own interpretations about water together."

Is there a projected amount that they're hoping to raise?

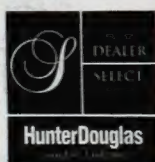
"We would be happy with anything," says Tuyten. "We're just happy that the Ethel Curry Gallery was generous enough to involve us."



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Nurse practitioners reduce wait list

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"They bring a very strong perspective around wellness and health promotion," says the team's executive director, Beth Archibald. "And that's what we're doing, we're building a team."

This way proper records are kept, which doesn't happen if a patient goes to emergency one day and the walk-in clinic the next. They would have to retell their story on each occasion.

"We have our own patient case loads, similar to how a physician would," said McLaughlin.

The health team has been receiving provincial funding since September 2005 and was approved for two nurse practitioners in February 2006. It has been recruiting since the fall of 2005 and Archibald says they are asking for more funding for future positions.

"By having nurse practitioners we're dealing with some of the barriers that are in our community," said Archibald.

Because no doctors are taking new patients, the nurse practitioners in Haliburton Highlands are essentially alleviating the wait list and, according to the three women, the wait list is significant at the Family Health Network.

"Now that the nurse practitioners have joined the team, with their scope of practice they can start whittling away at that wait list and provide people with consistent care," said Archibald.

A number of models and proposals have been made over the years and much of this has come about thanks to Margaret Risk, who chaired the team's Primary Care Committee in the beginning.

Because the program is relatively new, results and numbers are not yet



Caryl Miller of Eagle Lake has her blood pressure checked by Kathy McLaughlin, one of two nurse practitioners hired to help patients receive proper care in a timely manner. The nurse practitioners are part of the new Haliburton Highlands Health Team, shortening the wait list for patients without regular doctors.

available and word has not yet spread. However, letters have been sent across the county.

"What a positive move forward this is

for the residents of Haliburton County and access to healthcare," said Archibald.

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proposed 16 per cent increase was far too big a hit to take in one year.

"Some taxes are necessary. It's a sure thing in life. What we're asking council is to split these costs over two years so it would not be such a hard blow all at one time," said Chvedukas. "The BIA is not a lobby group, but we hope that by asking council you can see the other side of the coin."

"Haliburton needs our businesses to prosper. It's only good for everyone in this community to have businesses and tourism flourishing."

Building on that, van Lieshout noted that there is currently a divide between the tax rates for businesses and residential taxpayers. Property taxes are 2.8 times higher for commercial ratepayers than residential property owners. "If you guys want to charge a premium for your commercial rates, then we'd like to see some additional services," he told council.

"We feel you need to make it easier for businesses. Either that, or else bring us some value for the tax dollars that we are spending. Basically, we don't believe we're receiving 2.8 times the services than our residential customers are."

van Lieshout asked that council consider making further improvements to Haliburton's downtown core, such as planting more trees or installing some interlocking brick. Such improvements could benefit the whole municipality, he said.

"Our feeling is that if the

downtown core is vibrant and looks good then we're going to attract more dollars to the area."

Councillor Steve Pogue sympathized with the business owners but said that Dysart's tax policy, which determines the ratio between commercial and residential rates, is set at the county level.

"It's out of the hands of most people in this room," he said.

Reeve Murray Fearrey, who also sits as Warden of Haliburton County, said the imbalance was raised at county council but councillors at that level felt residential ratepayers needed as much relief as possible.

"It was tabled at the county but if you take down the commercial rate you add to the residential rate, and county council wasn't willing to do that this year."

Fearrey noted that the provincial government has recognized high rates on commercial properties, and will begin to lower the educational portion of the tax levy - which is much higher for businesses than for residential ratepayers - starting in 2008.

Councillor Derek Knowles told Chvedukas and van Lieshout that, as a former business owner, he can understand their concerns but questioned why the BIA didn't address

council sooner.

"It's nice to see you here. I was beginning to wonder when you were going to come. The question I have to ask you is, what took you so long," said Knowles. "These meetings have been going on since February 23,

year."

Fearrey told the BIA representatives that he sympathized with the concerns of business owners, which go beyond the after-effects of the tornadoes and lack of snow this past winter.

In a conversation with Bob Park, who manages Haliburton's IGA, Fearrey learned that the municipality's mandatory recycling policy has led to an additional \$20,000 in costs for the supermarket. Couple that with the fact that, in the past two years,

sewage user fees have doubled, and Fearrey said the price of doing business is nearing an all-time high.

"The costs of operation are going up...which is why we need to provide as much relief as possible on taxes."

With that in mind, Fearrey asked that council consider relocating more than \$200,000 from reserve funds to the general budget - \$66,000 of which will come from the province's gas tax program, and \$149,000 of which was being set aside for reconstruction of the Burnt River bridge in 2008.

Fearrey quickly gained support for the motion from both Councillor Andrea Roberts and Deputy-reeve Bill Davis but it soon became clear that other members of council were not as keen to re-jig the budget, which they had been working on for

the past several months.

"You want to take something that has taken two months to come to, and change it in two minutes," Knowles said to Fearrey. "We sat and we argued this out. I thought we had a pretty healthy debate on this already."

"Well it wasn't really a healthy debate because some people could hardly talk," said Fearrey. "At the last meeting there was a proposal to cut \$80,000 out of the budget, and it was turned down by the council...Instead we put \$30,000 here, and \$20,000 there...I've never quite seen anything like it with taxpayers' dollars. But I'm not being critical, that's done and now we're talking about something different."

With that, Knowles became visibly upset with the reeve.

"You are being critical because you were at all these meetings advocating your position, and I'm not really sure...well, I'm not going to get into that, because that would turn into a shit-flinger."

Knowles immediately apologized for the offhand remark, but it was a clear sign to those in attendance that a rift had formed between councillors over whether the municipality should keep the money in reserves, or pass the savings along to taxpayers.

On the one hand, Knowles said that setting aside money for the Burnt River bridge project was necessary, otherwise taxpayers would get "whacked" with the full price in 2008.

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"The question I have to ask you is, what took you so long? Nobody that's in this room today has been at even one meeting. This is a democracy but there's more to it than just voting every four years."

Councillor DEREK KNOWLES addressing BIA members

and no one was here. Nobody that's in this room today has been at even one meeting," he said, pointing to the public seating area.

"This is a democracy but there's more to it than just voting every four years. You have to be vigilant. These meetings have been open to the public and they've been advertised."

Knowles said that advocating the tax hike was not an easy thing to do, nor was it a popular position; nevertheless it was something that he felt the municipality had to do in order to sustain itself.

"It's not easy as a new councillor to sit here and say 'We have to have a massive tax increase,'" he said. "But at the same time, we can't rely on the provincial government to come to table every year... That's like relying on the tooth fairy to come every

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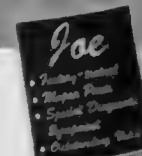
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Councillor argues Dysart needs tax dollars to build reserves

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Yet Fearrey shot back, and noted that the total cost for the bridge would only require three per cent of the roads budget, or a 1.5 per cent increase overall.

"How is that a 'whack?'"

Roberts, a first-time councillor, said she didn't feel comfortable asking taxpayers to pay for something preemptively.

"We can't take money and put it into the 2007 budget for a project that won't be done this year. I can't do that and look at the people in Ward 1 and say 'We threw in this extra money just in case,'" said Roberts.

Davis seconded those sentiments.

"If it isn't going to be built this year, we shouldn't be asking the taxpayers to prematurely pay," he said.

Councillor Steve Pogue sat on the opposite side of the fence, and remained adamant that leaving the full \$215,000 in reserves was the right thing to do if the municipality was to remain fiscally responsible.

"Repairing and replacing our bridges and maintaining our roads is all part of doing business as a municipality... It's what our taxpayers expect us to do," said Pogue. "Yes, the [Burnt River] bridge got moved from one year to the next, but it will be done next year, and other projects will come up next year too."

"That's the purpose of our roads development fund, and we have to put money into that fund and plan for everything that's coming up. It's not just a one-year plan, it's a 10- to 12-year plan. We have roads in this municipality that are falling apart, and we're behind the ball."

Davis agreed with Pogue insofar that the municipality's roads do need work, but he noted that in the coming year council hopes to have a roads-needs study, which would help them determine how to better spend the money in 2008.

"Hopefully once that study is completed we can then better plan for the future, but we have to have that study done and we have to know where the priorities are, instead of just asking the roads superintendent to bring in a wish list of what roads he thinks need work first," said Davis.

Councillors Dan Kay and Janis Parker both remained fairly quiet during the heated exchange, though Kay

did express similar concerns to Pogue and Knowles over the state of roads and the need for more money in the reserves.

As council entered a recorded vote on whether to approve or deny the \$215,000 slash to this year's budget, it remained uncertain which side would be successful.

Kay, Pogue, and Knowles all voted against the motion, while Davis, Roberts and Parker voted in favour. With the vote split, Fearrey cast the deciding vote, which effectively quashed the tax hike from more than 16 per cent to 10.8 per cent.

When coupled with the county's 2007 tax rates, Dysart's residential taxpayers will now see an overall increase of 5.2 per cent, while commercial ratepayers will see an overall increase of 2.74 per cent.

For every \$100,000 of property, residential taxpayers will give a total of \$34.29, with \$22.53 going to the municipality and \$11.76 going to the county. For every \$100,000 of commercial property, business owners will pay a total of \$50.85, which should provide some relief, since previous figures were upwards of \$63 for Dysart's portion alone.

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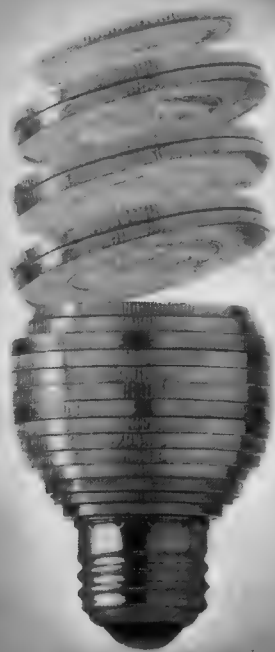


For the past few weeks, Const. Mark McMaster of the Haliburton Highlands OPP has been daring the Grade 6 students at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School to have the strength to say no to drugs and alcohol.

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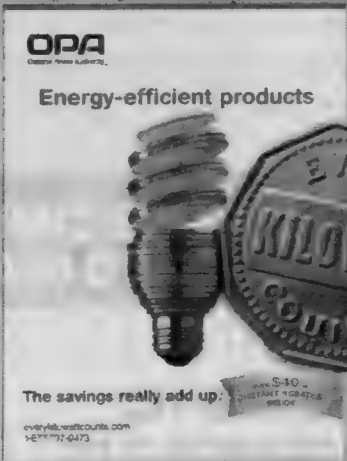
Above, students gathered in the gym pay close attention to a movie that one of the Grade 6 classes made.

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Doctor adds expressive arts to her toolkit

Unsatisfied with conventional treatment, Dr. Susan Gleeson turns to Fleming's Expressive Art program

LAURA HENDRICK

Staff Reporter

Despite a doctor shortage across Ontario, Dr. Susan Gleeson of Peterborough refuses to hustle patients in and out of her office. After 20 years of a traditional family practice, she decided to boost the amount of face time she had with patients by offering them life coaching, grief counselling and even the chance to muck about in a sandbox.

This spring, she is adding to her counselling toolkit by completing two weeks of an eight-week Expressive Art Program at the Haliburton School of The Arts. The program is helping her master the therapeutic aspects of play, which she hopes she can use in her work with children.

"Sometimes you get the feeling that the person doesn't really need medication," Gleeson says, describing the two prongs of her practice. In 2002, she realized that she felt "really deeply unsatisfied" with a conventional approach to medicine. She decided to begin providing counselling services to patients suffering from illnesses such as depression, anxiety and insomnia.

With kids, she says problems of peer pressure, self-esteem, nightmares, as well as grief from divorce are the most common reasons for counselling. But it's the somatic symptoms that first bring the little patients through her door.

"I'd be asked to see them for their tummy ache," she said. After checking them for any physical problems, she considers turning to play as a source of healing. She said it usually takes two to three one-hour sessions of child-directed play for a problem to resolve itself. "My job is to clean the brushes and play the music," she says.

In one instance, she invited a two-year-old boy suffering from nightmares to play with her. Allowing him to choose between different activities such as painting, playing in a sandbox, or acting, he decided to go the theatrical route. The boy dressed up as Cinderella,



Family physician Susan Gleeson displays a piece of art work she created as part of an Expressive Art Program at the Haliburton School of The Arts. "This is me," she said before holding it up.

asking Gleeson to be his evil stepsister who rips his princess dress.

"We put on a little play and the nightmares went away," she said.

Gleeson acknowledged that she herself is stumped by how the process works, and is hoping to better understand the value of play through the Fleming program.

Last week, instructors such as Michael Caine, 43, led the class of 15 people through activities that focus on the childhood experience. In one exercise, students ranging in ages from early twenties to sixties created clay models of how they perceived their parents. The group then used these pieces as characters to act out how their parents might have behaved in a parent-teacher interview.

"I thought about how I would feel being a parent of myself," said Gleeson. "It led to a huge sense of compassion for them."

Taking part in these activities is helping Gleeson to decide which ones she will take back to her own practice. Many of her classmates with varied backgrounds, such as social work and teaching, are also preparing to apply these lessons to their field of work.

"The arts fit really nicely into a lot of models," Caine says.

Later that week, Gleeson and her classmates created a village to function as a safe space for the models they created.

The work may seem abstract but discovering the emotional benefits of play has renewed Gleeson's passion for medicine. Even as longer appointments eat away at her salary, she is happy to provide treatment she believes in.

"Being in my 50s now, to do my soul's work is the most important thing to me."



Art instructor, Michael Caine holds up some of the instruments he uses with his students as they plunge into a study of their own childhood.

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Keep the bright lights and loud noises in the city

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sights and sounds nature provides? Isn't this the purpose of venturing north? If people want loud, bright, noisy conditions, stay in the city. And that goes for watching firework displays which are plentiful throughout the weekend.

As far as fireworks are concerned, there is no standard and that is where the problem lies. So what will it take to put one in place? A personal injury to one of the participants? How about a forest fire? Now there's something we ALL must be very vigilant about. Plentiful forests are the major attraction to cottage country. Can you imagine Haliburton without them?

It's time for all the councils of Haliburton County to step up to the plate and set the standard of banning the use of ALL fireworks other than in council-designated areas on appropriate occasions only.

Imagine the status of being the first county to ban fireworks! Sounds good to me.

Keeping an eye on nature and the peace-seeking cottagers,

Arlene Johnston,
Haliburton

Green perspective on asphalt plant

To the Editor:

From a Green perspective, the prolonged dispute over the Irondale asphalt plant has underscored the need for deep change in Ontario's democratic process.

Presently, at the local level we encounter a pervasive business-as-usual attitude, reinforced by old-boy channels of patronage and influence. The current MPP, Laurie Scott, perceives the power structure in formal, elitist terms, leading her to assert famously that a citizens' protest is not really political at all. Her office seems best equipped to deal with everyday matters of routine concern. Yet when confronted with an urgent collective issue, it retreats in perplexity and huffiness, wrapped in veils of legalism.

At Queen's Park the Minister of Natural Resources, David Ramsay, has also failed to take initiative in the Irondale dispute. This is the same Minister who rashly and without public consultation ordered the Frost Centre closed back in 2004. On this current round, instead of redeeming himself in local eyes, he has temporized, requesting further expert opinion regarding headwater contamination, etc.. To curry favour with the voters, Mr. Ramsay may be biding his time to veto the Royel application after the election writ is dropped. In the meantime the residents in the Irondale area must endure further months of needless anguish and distress.

In these troubled waters the one clear beacon has been Cathy Logan, a grassroots activist who has managed over many months to keep the politicians' feet close to the fire. Congratulations are due to Ms. Logan for her skillful performance in the political arena.

As a result of the protest, the asphalt plant may even-

tually be sited on more suitable terrain. So will that place it next to my house, or your own?

To be honest, we must acknowledge the NIMBY (Not In My Backyard) aspect of the asphalt protest. It is all very well to profess lofty environmental ideals, but how can we rid our county of future asphalt plants without also dispensing with its many nice smooth roads?

For Greens, this is not just a rhetorical question. In light of the looming environmental crisis, we are well advised to consider alternative modes of transportation, beginning right here and now.

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New building code ushers in 700 changes across Ontario

But high building standards help local builders stay a step ahead of the pack

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

With the beginning of the New Year came the introduction of a new building code but, thanks to high building standards in Haliburton County, many of the code's changes may not have as great an impact locally as they might in urban centres, say building officials.

The revamped provincial building code includes changes to the technical requirements from the previous code – more than 700 changes to be exact. But as monumental a shift as that may sound, Dysart's chief building official, Dan Sayers, says that many of the transitions will be seamless.

"A lot of the changes, to me, aren't really changes. It's more that they've just laid the code out differently," says Sayers.

"A lot of it is pretty complicated and, to be honest, the average person won't ever have to care about most changes. Most of it will be done by architectural firms," he adds.

Sayers says that some of the larger changes that will concern future home and business owners include increased requirements for both accessibility and energy efficiency. In fact, starting next year, the new code will boost the energy efficiency of a new home by 21.5 per cent (compared to a home built to the existing code requirements), through new standards for wall and ceiling insulation, high-efficiency furnaces, and energy-efficient windows and doors.

What's more, the new code will phase in even greater energy efficiency requirements in January, 2009, and again in January, 2012.



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The new year brought a whole slew of changes for local builders, but Dysart's chief building official, Dan Sayers, says that many of the transitions should be seamless. Some of the larger changes that will concern future home and business owners, says Sayers, will be increased requirements for both accessibility and energy efficiency.

But despite what seems like a huge push towards higher standards, both Sayers and Aggie Tose, executive officer for the Haliburton County Homebuilders Association (HCHA), say the initial impact of new requirements will be a blip on the radar screen locally, since most builders and homeowners already insist on building higher quality homes.

"In a lot of cases what we find is that people are already [building above the code]. For years people have been not just sticking to the minimum requirements, because it makes more sense to spend a little more money on insulation up front," says Sayers.

And from a builder's standpoint, Tose echoes Sayers' sentiments.

"I don't think it's going to change a lot for any of the builders up here – association members or not. I really do think that we are lucky in this area with the quality of building that happens here, so overall I don't feel it's going to make a huge difference," she says.

"Up here I would hazard to guess that there would be very few, if any, that would build at code level. The majority of builders are above code, and certainly the education of the consumer is driving that. Everyone wants the best, and they now have the knowledge at their fingertips – they can go on the Internet and find out about it."

Both Sayers and Tose say that the minimum requirements will most likely have a greater effect on the building industry in the greater Toronto area, where higher-density subdivision projects are often constructed very quickly and the eventual homeowner is more removed from the building process.

Tose says that one of the areas where the code will make a difference is in the scheduling for permits and paperwork to be submitted to the municipality.

"It will force us to be a little more organized up front," she says. "I don't think all the

changes are necessarily bad, but some will be very time-consuming and there's a lot of paperwork involved. I also think it will certainly make a lot more work for the building officials in checking that all these things are done and all these things are up to par."

Sayers says that there will definitely be a learning curve with so many changes coming into effect all at once. To make matters worse, the municipality didn't get a copy of the new code and its 700 changes until they had already taken effect, due to a backlog at the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

"We'll definitely need an adjustment time to digest all the changes," says Sayers. "It will be more time-consuming because our plan reviews will take longer until we know that people know of the changes."

Written in an "objective-based" format, the new code will strive to promote innovation in building design and building products by allowing for what are called "compliance alternatives" in larger commercial buildings, says Sayers.

"For example, it used to prescribe how many emergency exits there had to be and what the fire separation was but now there's a section in there that tells you what the goal of the code is. So you don't necessarily have to comply with what's suggested – you can come up with a compliance alternative that's different but accomplishes the same goal," he says.

The new code also makes great efforts to improve accessibility to buildings across the board, including new standards for public corridors wide enough for modern wheelchairs, tactile signs to help people with visual impairment navigate through buildings, and small steps to be incorporated into new homes that will allow for future renovations to make the home wheelchair-accessible.

"From what I've seen of the changes, they look pretty positive to me. I think they've caught a lot of things in the

code that needed to be addressed. A lot of these barrier-free and disabled access requirements, I feel they make a lot of sense," Sayers says.

From a commercial standpoint, Sayers says one of the biggest changes will be in the requirements placed on hotels and resorts.

"They've actually changed requirements so that at least 10 per cent of all suites have to be barrier-free throughout the suite, and that sets a better guideline for us to follow," he says. "I found before, in some of the older hotels that, sure, you could get in the front door [with a wheelchair], but if you don't have barrier-free suites then the bathrooms aren't accessible... What's the point in having barrier-free access to something you still can't use?"

The code will also require that at least 10 per cent of all residential suites in apartment buildings have a barrier-free path of travel from the entrance door to at least one bedroom and one bathroom, and small steps are being taken to ensure that homes are also easy to renovate if a homeowner were to become ill or injured.

"They're minor changes that won't cost a lot when making a house but in the future it will make it a lot easier to make the house accessible to people," says Sayers.

"There's always that chance...I mean, I'm even thinking of my own mother," adds Tose. "We moved my parents into a bungalow a year ago because she couldn't do stairs but now we have this tiny bathroom and it's pretty hard to get a caregiver and my mother in there. With my mother's wheelchair, it's utterly impossible, so without completely renovating the entire inside of the house, we have to find other ways of making that room accessible to her and her helper."

With an aging population in Haliburton County, and across Canada, Tose says that many builders are already taking such ideas into consideration.

See Homeowners page 18



Changes to the building code have created a learning curve for builders, and also require a higher level of organization, says Aggie Tose, executive officer for the Haliburton County Homebuilders Association (HCHA).

Homeowners will foot the bill for energy efficiency guidelines, says Tose

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"When we're building now we're trying to take those things into account, so if someone becomes hurt, injured, or ill, that home can be converted more easily and they won't have to move out of their home."

How great an impact the new regulations will have remains to be seen, and with training sessions still on the way, both Sayers and Tose were reluctant to speculate about exactly what areas of the industry will be

affected, and by how much. However, both agree that even with an onslaught of new changes and regulations to deal with, the local building industry will not be hampered or disadvantaged by the amendments.

"It might be a small adjustment period, but the building industry is always changing," says Sayers.

Tose, on the other hand, is skeptical about the new energy efficiency guidelines, particularly concerning how much impact they will have in the grand scheme of things.

"I have reservations about what the government says and what's actually going to happen...but I suppose that's a little critical," she says. "I'm just not sure any of these energy efficiency measures are going to bring any innovation into the industry."

"I think there are probably more effective ways of cutting energy costs by focusing on existing houses, rather than imposing it directly on new housing, and I feel perhaps there should be more of an effort put on the existing housing. The energy sucking from existing homes is going to be far worse than new homes because the industry is so much more technically-advanced now," she says.

Ultimately, Tose says, it all comes down to a cost that will be passed on to the homeowner. Whether that will be a burden or a worthwhile endeavour is hard to say at this point, but since it's now a part of the provincial building code, future homeowners have little choice but to live up to the government's expectations.

"People are on a limited budget, and I don't think they realize what some of these energy-efficient regulations are going to do to the costs of buildings," says Tose. "Some of them could be quite expensive, but I don't think we're anywhere near where they're going to be, so you really can't tell what's going to happen."

Building stats show steady growth in Dysart et al

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

It may not have been a record-setting year but building in Dysart et al remained strong and steady throughout 2006.

By the end of December the municipality had issued a total of 344 building permits in 2006 for projects worth more than \$33.5 million. That figure is less than \$2 million shy of the total in 2005, which was a record-setting year.

In early September, Dysart's director of planning Pat Martin reported to council that the municipality was on pace to surpass the 2005 total after issuing a total of 177 permits from May through August alone. By the end of August the municipality was ahead of the 2005 total by \$1.5 million but that number tapered off after fewer permits were granted in November and December of this year.

All in all, Dysart's chief building official Dan Sayers says the 2006 totals are certainly nothing to scoff at, and they show no indication that building in Dysart is on a downward slide.

"We're a little less than last year but it's pretty comparable in the overall scheme of things," Sayers says, noting that a \$1 or \$2 million difference could be made up or lost by one or two major projects.

"A lot of the dollar value has to do with big projects. If you take one of the bigger grocery stores, like the Independent Grocer, well, that was worth \$3 or \$4 million alone," Sayers says. "This year we didn't seem to have as many of the bigger projects, whereas over the past few years we have had the new Curry Motors and Independent Grocer, which boosted the dollars up high."

Despite not exceeding the 2005 grand totals, the number of permits issued in 2006 was up from 2004 and the total dollar value was also more than \$8 million higher. And with more large projects – such as the proposed Silver Beach condominium development – slated to break ground in the coming years, it would appear that Dysart's building industry will only continue to thrive.

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Just days before Canadians begin to celebrate the Victoria Day long weekend, the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School senior girls soccer team took to the field on a cold and rainy May 16. Senior girls soccer coach Greg Cameron ignores the rain during a half-time pep talk during the Red Hawks last regular season game.



Number 31, Heather Cox-Gurdon, holds an umbrella over teammate Gennie Ross. Though the ladies lost the game 3-1 they've qualified for the playoffs.

Red Hawks girls' soccer team win playoff birth

Finishing first in its division and third overall, the senior girls' soccer team earned a spot in the playoffs. They travel to Peterborough on May 23 for the AA Kawartha finals

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School senior girls soccer team finished the regular season with a 3-1 loss on home turf to the Lindsay Collegiate and Vocational Institute on a wet, cold, and downright dismal May 16.

With a record of 3-3-2, the girls finished first in their AA division and third overall (AA and AAA), giving the Red Hawks a playoff berth. The team now travels to Peterborough on May 23 for the AA Kawartha championships.

Assistant coach Amy Klose said last year's senior team had little success so this year's team surprised the league, especially after starting the season 0-2. Following the two losses the ladies pulled up their soccer socks and tied the next two matches. This seemed to energize the team, who then went on a three-game winning streak. Red Hawks captain Sherri Walker led the team both on and off the field.

"The team is a really strong group of girls," said Klose. "Lots of leadership, excellent communication and very committed."



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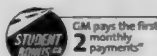
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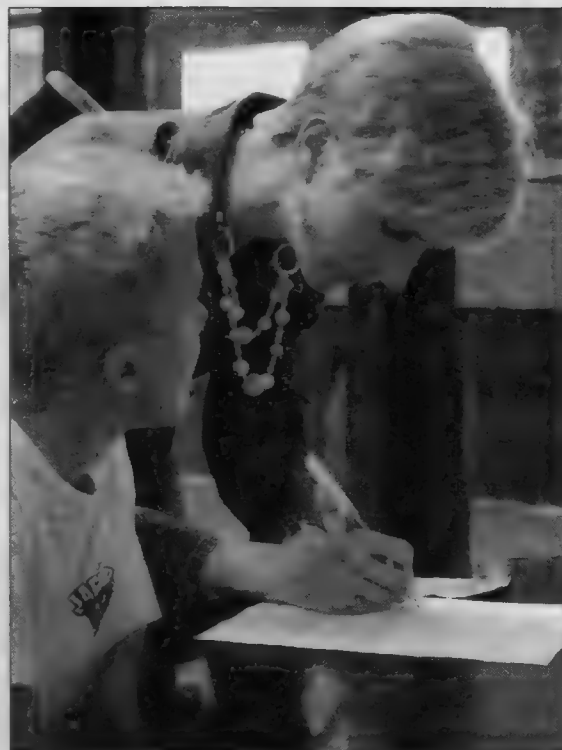
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Registration is now \$15 and that

money goes towards hats, water, and popsicles for the kids throughout the season. Games are played Wednesday nights from 7-8 p.m. Varty also said that coaches are needed on a voluntary basis. Those with interest are asked to call Varty at 705-457-2365. See you on the field.



Grade 5 J.D.H. student Preston Robertson asks his mom, Liane, a question about this year's softball action.

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Branch manager Elaine Sidsworth (seated on the left) and the staff of the Haliburton CIBC presented a cheque for \$5,000 to SIRCH community hospice coordinator Dorothy Owens (seated on the right) earlier this month. This is the third year that CIBC has donated to the hospice program, and Sidsworth says it's a tradition that will hopefully continue to flourish for years to come.

"It's really our pleasure to contribute to such a wonderful program in this community," she said. "We're happy to help out."

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Arbour Week has been celebrated for roughly 130 years and was inaugurated by a former journalist J. Sterling Morton to create awareness of what trees mean to the environment. It is estimated that more than one million trees were planted in Nebraska on the first Arbour Day in April of 1872, according to www.arborday.org.

Peter Lindsay and Bryan Rivard are regional forestry maintainers with Hydro One's forestry department. Through a 25-minute presentation it is their goal to educate and to encourage tree planting because of the growing concern for the environment.

The first overhead slide said that other holidays repose upon the past; Arbour Week proposes for the future.

As the presentation proceeded, Lindsay and Rivard interacted with the kids answering questions while proposing



Grade 4 and 5 students gather around for a tree planting session for Arbour Week.

some of their own, such as: Why are trees so important to humans and what do we use them for? The inquisitive kids reeled off a dozen reasons without difficulty.

"These guys have it all together," Lindsay said of the JDHES students.

Lindsay and Rivard then explained their role at Hydro One through a series of pictures depicting workers climbing trees using climbing gear, standing in a bucket of a 55-foot extension arm as they trim trees, and using machinery such as manual pruners, hydraulic pruners, a wood chipper, a feller buncher, and even an ATV with tracks, to help perform daily tasks;

"Sweeeet," exclaimed a little boy from Archie Stouffer soon after recognizing the

ATV.

Not-so-sweet however are the dangers that power lines and downed power lines pose. And the safety aspect of the presentation was quite sobering. Power lines have more than 7,000 volts running through them and Lindsay gave an idea of what that means.

"It's enough to blow your arms off," said Lindsay.

He's not lying and there are hidden dangers to downed power lines that some people may not realize. Ever heard of the term 'Step Potential'? The kids learn that even though a hydro wire might be 20 feet away from them, it still has the potential to be dangerous because electricity is running through the ground. Each step taken towards the wire takes you closer to the

power surge.

"It's very important that we're in control," said Lindsay.

The friendly forest men may be in control in the forest but it didn't last long in the classroom. The kids were excited to go outside and plant a tree, a blue spruce, in fact.

Students at JDHES were a little cheated as rain fell in Haliburton during the tree-planting ceremony. And because of the rain the kids missed out Rivard's tree-climbing demonstration as well as Lindsay going sky high in the bucket.

Archie Stouffer Elementary School students, on the other hand, stood under a cloudless sky and were ecstatic to see the tree-climbing demo and hollered at Lindsay as he moved about overhead.

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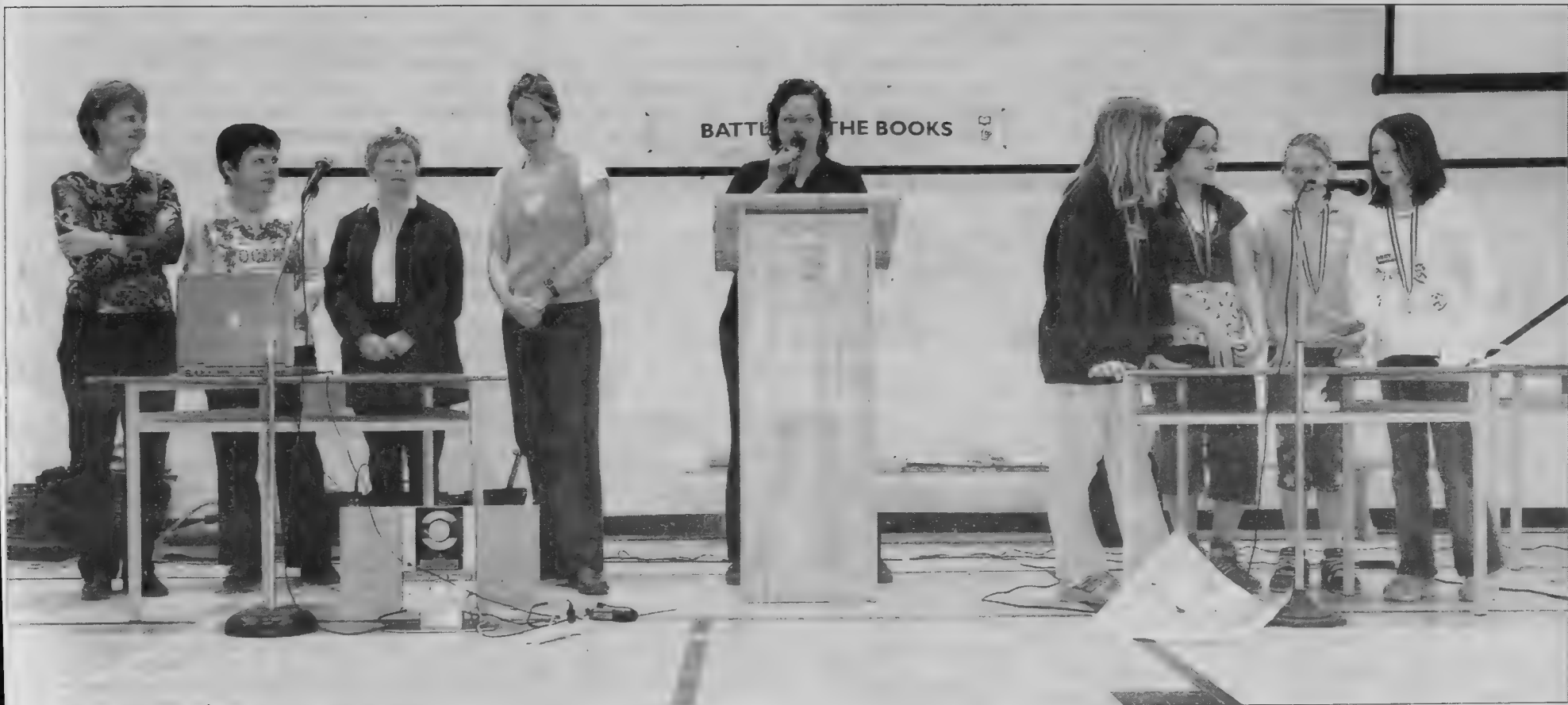


J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School recently held its annual Battle of the Books competition, which encourages students to read books, form teams, and go head-to-head against fellow peers in a trivia competition.

Above, from left to right, Beka Wrightman, Elaine Searle, and Brandon Telfer celebrate their win at the senior level in the Battle of the Books competition.



Junior runners up Mikaela Gordon, Ali Hicks, Brigitta Hicks, and Jessica Bishop put up a good fight, losing by only a single point.



From left to right, JDHES teachers Mrs. Murray, Mme. Brown, Mrs. Eastmure, and Ms. Shantz went head to head with junior battle of the books champions Kirsty Cook, Megan Lapierre, Emerald Henderson, and Emma Paul. Mrs. Foulds oversaw the competition, which the students won with ease

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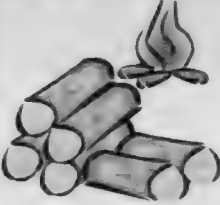
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West Guilford twins make parents proud

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Eleanor Cooper

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Owners of the West Guilford Coin Laundry have cause to be very proud. A year ago Carmel and John Russell's daughter Denise graduated in business and human resources. She is employed at Guelph's

Holiday Inn. This year, her twin, Michelle, graduated from the University of Waterloo with honours from her four-year course in psychology and human resources. She may go on this fall to do her Master's degree. Congratulations to the Russell family.

Congratulations from all West Guilford relatives of Don and Marge Sisson on their 60th wedding anniversary on May 17. May 18 was the day designated for the celebration at the Legion in Haliburton, and crowds came from near and far to wish them well. They were also honoured at Highland Wood where they volunteer with the residents at least weekly. They are much appreciated by the residents there, the staff, their church community at St. George's, and always by their family. Son and daughter-in-law Marty and Vicki Sisson and their twins, Alex and Mary, were on hand to meet and greet the many guests at the big party, which we all enjoyed so much.

At this same party someone introduced herself to me. I had taught her when I came to West Guilford

more than fifty years ago to teach the junior grades at S.S. 2&3 Guilford. It was Shirley Sims, now married to Sandy Jackson and living at the house on Cranberry Lake, where she and Helen, her sister, had grown up as the family of Toots and Bev Sims. So pleased to make the connection!

People are welcome to help themselves to our rhubarb patch, which has outdone itself this year. Come and pull your own stalks.

Many were the callers at the Maple Lake United Church and Bake Sale and at the Mahaffes', just down the road from our place, as their sale was displayed in the fine weather. Both proved successful.

Our family, at least in part, came for part of the weekend from New Brunswick. Luke, Daphne and Melissa were here overnight with their dad, George Cooper. The girls were part of a team of campers going on to a place near Huntsville for the long weekend. Luke, however, does not have to return but will be staying with us for a good long time. Lucky grandparents!

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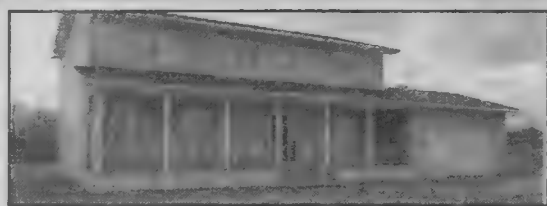
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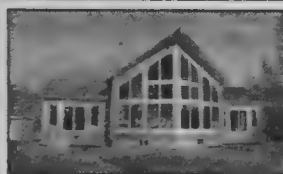
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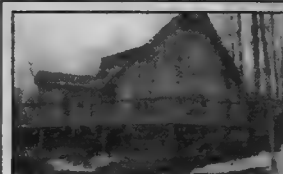
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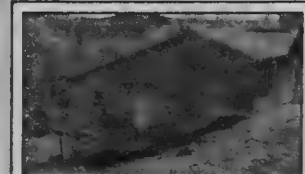
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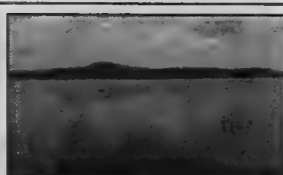
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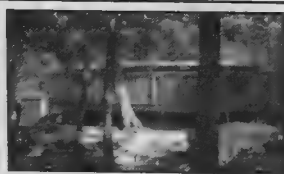
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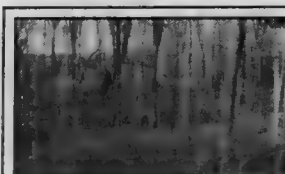
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WENONA LAKE ROAD

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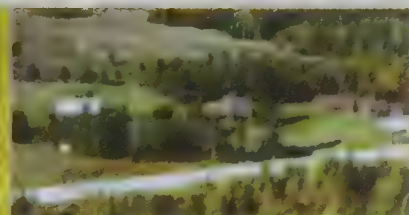
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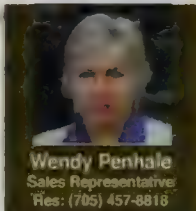


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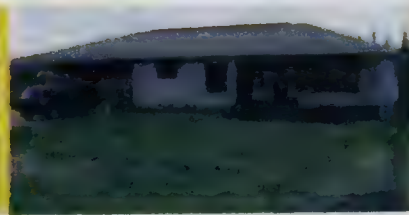
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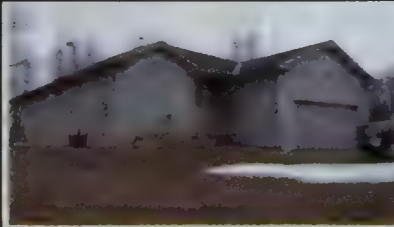
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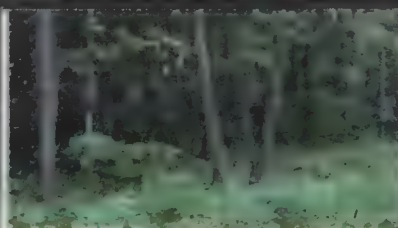
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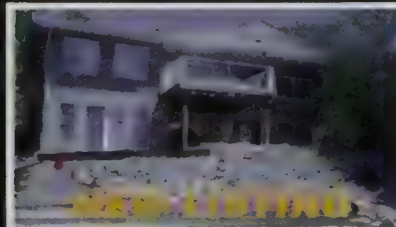
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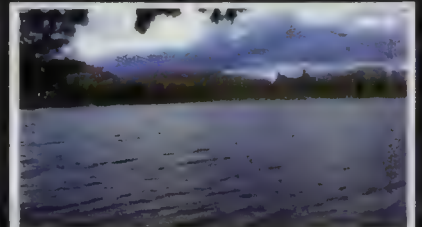
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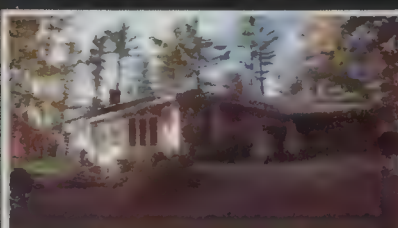
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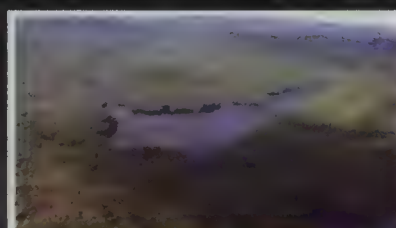
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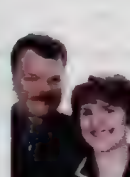
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Outpost hospital denied summer student

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Hilda Clark
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The attractive quilt being raffled by the Wilberforce Heritage Guild to support activities at the Outpost Museum is displayed at Agnew's General Store. Tickets are available there and from members and friends.

The Heritage Guild has been denied a small grant from the Canada Summer Jobs initiative by the federal government which would have helped pay for a summer student guide at our National Historic Site of Canada. After being helped by this program for a number of years the Guild was informed last week that hiring a local student to work at the historic Outpost for the summer "did not rank high enough... to be funded." Just one of many groups being left scrambling for funds or scrapping programs. So, please buy quilt tickets to help keep our local Outpost Museum open this summer.

Dinner was easy to prepare for diners here in Wilberforce last Saturday evening. That is, if they chose to dine on the great meal at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre prepared and served by the volunteer police association members. Of course many worked hard to make the roast beef dinner which included homemade pies for dessert. Many thanks to all who contributed to this annual community event.

Most people are now aware that there will be a Hydro electric outage in many parts of the county on Sunday, May 27 from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m.. No doubt there will be changes made for some community events. Margaret Jeske called to let us know that the Sunday performance of the Messiah Choir's spring concert will begin at 4:30 p.m. at the Northern Lights Pavilion in Haliburton village.

Among many yard sales that blossomed on the weekend the one at the Wilberforce United Church was so successful and had so much "stuff" donated that they have decided to run it again next Saturday, May 26. Light refreshments are sure to be available as well.

By popular demand The Loop Troupe will be restaging their play *Mother Variations* by Aviva Ravel for two evenings at the end of July. It will be on the Lloyd Watson Centre stage on Friday and Saturday July 27 and 28.

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NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF A ZONING BY-LAW BY THE CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF DYSART ET AL

(General Amendments – Wind Turbines)

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al passed By-law No. 2007-53 on the 14th day of May, 2007 under Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13, as amended.

THE PROPOSED BY-LAW is a general amendment to By-law 2005-120, as amended and affects all lands within the zoned area of the Municipality of Dysart et al.

THE PURPOSE AND EFFECT of the proposed amendment is to add:

- a definition of a "wind turbine";
- a definition for "wind turbine height"; and
- general provisions for the construction of wind turbines.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any person, corporation or public body may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board with respect to this By-law by filing with the Clerk of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al not later than the 11th day of June, 2007, a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the By-law and the reasons in support of the objection. This notice must be accompanied by Appellant Form A-1 of the Ontario Municipal Board (completed in full) and the prescribed fee of \$125.00, made payable to the Minister of Finance of Ontario. Appellant Form A-1 is available from the Municipal Office during office hours.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal a Zoning By-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of an association or the group on its behalf.

No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal unless, before the By-law was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or made written submissions to the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al or in the opinion of the Ontario Municipal Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR A COPY OF BY-LAW 2007-53 is available for review by contacting the Planning Department at the Municipal Offices during regular office hours (8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M., Monday to Friday).

CONTACT INFORMATION: Inquiries or requests for additional information on Zoning By-law 2007-34 should be directed, to Patricia Martin, Municipal Planner, Municipality of Dysart et al, P.O. Box 389, Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0, telephone (705) 457-1740, fax (705) 457-1964.

DATED at the Township of Dysart, this 22nd May, 2007.

Tammy McKelvey
CAO/Clerk

NOTICES



MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

LANDFILL SITES – MAINTENANCE TENDERS

Tenders for the compaction, cover and maintenance services at the landfill sites within the Municipality of Dysart et al will be accepted at the Municipal Office until Noon, Monday, June 4th, 2007.

Specifications available at the Municipal Office,
135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, Ontario.

Tammy McKelvey, A.M.C.T.
CAO/Clerk
Municipality of Dysart et al
135 Maple Avenue
P.O. Box 389
Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0
Tel: 705-457-1740 Fax: 705-457-1964
Email: tmckelvey@county.haliburton.on.ca



NOTICE

MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

Draft Sign By-Law

The Municipality of Dysart et al is proposing a by-law to regulate signs and other advertising devices within the Municipality.

A public meeting is being held to provide the public an opportunity to comment on the Draft By-law.

A copy of the Draft By-law is available at the Municipality Office or on our website: www.dysartetal.ca.

The Public Meeting will be held on Monday, June 4, 2007 at 8:00 pm at the Dysart Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, Ontario.

Dan Sayers, CBO/MLEO
Municipality of Dysart et al
135 Maple Avenue, P.O. Box 389
Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0
Tel: 705-457-1740 Fax: 705-457-1964
Email: dsayers@county.haliburton.on.ca



MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

PART TIME LANDFILL SITE ATTENDANT

The Municipality of Dysart et al is seeking an individual for a seasonal position until October 2007, for a proposed 20 hour work week. The applicant must be willing to work weekends.

Duties include, but are not limited to, assisting in the operation of the site during landfill hours and maintaining effective control over the recycling program. A job description is available at the Municipal Office.

Qualified candidates are encouraged to submit a detailed resume to the undersigned by noon on Monday, May 28th, 2007.

Tammy McKelvey, A.M.C.T.
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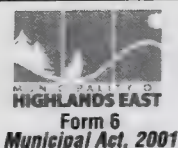
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HIGHLANDS EAST
Form 6
Municipal Act, 2001

SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

The Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East

Take Notice that tenders are invited for the purchase of the land(s) described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on 13 June 2007, at the Municipal Office, County Road 648, Box 295, Wilberforce, Ontario K0L 3C0.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day at 3:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office, County Road 648, Wilberforce.

Description of Land(s):

Roll No. 46 01 401 000 03900 0000, Part Lot 25, Concession 11, Geographic Township of Bicroft, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton (No. 19) Being the Secondly Lands in Instrument No. 33016. File 05-01

Minimum Tender Amount: \$10,166.24

Roll No. 46 01 601 000 27410 0000, Part Lots 23 and 24, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Monmouth, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton (No. 19). File 05-04

Minimum Tender Amount: \$5,636.39

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or of a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation payable to the municipality (or board) and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the land(s) to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers.

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes and the relevant land transfer tax.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

Note: G.S.T. may be payable by successful purchaser.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, contact:

www.OntarioTaxSales.ca

or if no internet access available, contact:

Mrs. Beryl Rutter, Deputy Treasurer/Tax Collector or

Mrs. Bonnie Pettit, Tax Clerk

The Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East

County Road 648

Box 295

Wilberforce, Ontario K0L 3C0

(705) 448-2981



GREG HOEKSTRA/Echo

Lions pull together

Raindrops couldn't dampen the generous spirit of Haliburton's Lions Club last week. On Monday, Stuart Baker Elementary School Principal Micheline Roy contacted the club to see if they could help provide picnic tables for the school, and by Wednesday a group of Lions were at the school unloading five brand new tables from the back of a pickup truck in the drizzling rain.

"I was absolutely amazed. They were extremely quick to respond," says Roy. "I called on Monday and by Tuesday they called me back to say they could do it. I said to one teacher, 'It's just like Christmastime.'"

Roy says the new tables will be used for outdoor art projects and class picnics, creating an "outdoor classroom" for students during the spring and summer months. Pictured, from left to right, SBES Principal Micheline Roy and Lion David Mills (seated in front row). Standing in the back are Judy MacDuff, SBES head custodian, Robert McIvor, Gerry Esvie, Ann McIvor, James Lawr, Betty Mills, Jim Frost, and Gerald Hadley. Also instrumental in the project, but not pictured above, were Lions Paul Esple and Perry Morrison.



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the *Planning Act*, and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday June 11th, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

- File No. H-094/05
Applicant: Sandra BOSWELL
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 1, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Livingstone
Nature of the Application: New Lot
- File No. H-117/06
Applicant: Basle E. COOPER
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 4 & 5, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Guilford
Nature of the Application: New Lot
- File No. H-014/07
Applicant: 2096838 ONTARIO LTD.
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 25, Concession 3, Geographic Township of Glamorgan
Nature of the Application: Lot Addition
- File No. H-021/07
Applicant: Janet GROVE
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 23 & 24, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Stanhope
Nature of the Application: New Lot
- File No. H-026/07 & H-027/07
Applicant: Joyce BAIN & Shelley VANLIESHOUT
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 34 & 35, Concession 11, Geographic Township of Dysart
Nature of the Application: 2 New Lots
- File No. H-030/07 & H-031/07
Applicant: Janis Ann DELVILLE
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 10, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Glamorgan
Nature of the Application: 2 New Lots
- File No. H-038/07
Applicant: Thomas PIGEON
Location of the Property: Pt. Lots 3, 4 & 5, Concession 7 and Pt. Lots 2, 3 & 4, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Guilford
Nature of the Application: Right-of-way

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 22nd day of May, 2007.

Jane M. Tousaw, M.C.T.
Development Services Coordinator/Planner
County of Haliburton
11 Newcastle Street
P.O. 399
Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0
Telephone: (705) 286-1333, Ext. 222
Fax: (705) 286-4829



NOTICE

(Applicant - SMITH/WARING)

IN THE MATTER OF THE *MUNICIPAL ACT* AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP-UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF AN ORIGINAL ALLOWANCE FOR ROAD ALONG THE SHORE OF GLAMOR LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the *Municipal Act*, S.O. 2001, and the Municipal Procedures, that the Township Council of the Corporation of The Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, WILBERFORCE, Ontario on Tuesday, the 12th day of June, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 32, Concession 10, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Parts 2 and 3 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Paul Wilson, O.L.S., dated October 16, 2006, (Part 3 being the flooded portion to be retained by the Municipality of Highlands East).

The Preliminary Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours (9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East, shall then and there hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard in person. The person who wishes to address Council should contact the Township Office at delegation time.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 15th day of May, 2007.

IRENE S. COOK, CMO
CLERK/CEMC
Box 295,
WILBERFORCE, ON K0L 3C0



Learn to kayak for free this summer as part of the SummerActive initiative.

Free kayaking sessions make waves in county

Make a splash as you take to the waters of Haliburton County to try out one of the fastest growing outdoor activities in North America.

Health for Life, in partnership with Boatwerks kayak shops of Haliburton and Minden, are organizing free beginner flatwater kayaking sessions.

Offered on a first-come, first-served basis, the sessions are set as follows:

- In Haliburton Village on Thursday, May 31, from 6:30 pm to 8 pm, at the town docks.

- In Haliburton Village on Thursday, June 14, from 6:30 pm to 8 pm, at the town docks.

- In Minden on Thursday, June 21, from 6:30 pm to 8 pm at Horseshoe Lake

Beach.

Each session includes an introduction to the kayaking equipment, a short on-water lesson, and a paddle on the water. No kayaking experience is necessary, with all equipment being supplied by Boatwerks.

Spaces are limited for each session, so register now. Call Boatwerks Haliburton at (705) 457-3737.

The kayaking sessions are part of SummerActive (www.summeractive.org), a national initiative to get help Canadians get active and improve their health. According to Paddling Canada, more than 2.3 million Canadians participate in activities such as kayaking, canoeing or sailing.

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Passport gives individuals the option of receiving funds to purchase community participation supports and/or they can use the funding to access services through community agencies.

Applicants must be adults who are no longer in school.

Application deadline for this round of funding is June 15, 2007.

For more information and an application form contact:

Tri-County Community Support Services at

(705) 749-6681 ext: 234 or 289

or go online at mcss.gov.on.ca or www.centraleast.info

TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

A multi-service agency supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the counties of Peterborough, Haliburton & Northumberland and the City of Kawartha Lakes.

community calendar

What's happening in the Highlands

CURRENT EVENTS

- **Now until June 12:** Move & Groove Stroller fun for Parents & Children. Haliburton OEYC, May 1 to June 12, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Join other parents to: Kick-off your spring walking plan. Gain tips & ideas to stay motivated for success. Show your child the importance of physical activity... This program is provided in partnership of Ontario Early Years & HKPR District Health Unit. Call 457-2989 to register.
- **May 22:** Listening, Sounding & Moving. An evening with Gary Diggins & Martha Randall. Tues., 7-9 p.m. Great Hall, Sir Sandford Fleming College, Haliburton. Call John or Dianna, 455-9666.
- **May 22, 29 & June 5:** Books Bears & Blankets at the Minden Ontario Early Years Centre, Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Putting the FUN back into bedtimes for parents & children 0 to 6 years. Join us for dinner, tips & ideas to make bedtime challenges easier & stories, songs & soothing activities to prepare children for bedtime. To register call 286-1770.
- **May 23:** Beginner Tai Chi starts Wed. at 1 p.m. at Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce. First class is a free introduction. Call Michele at 448-2392 to register. Note: The Taoist Tai Chi Society is a registered charity & all instructors are accredited & are volunteers.
- **May 24:** Haliburton OEYC Kindergarten Visit Day. We will learn about School Bus Safety, at 10:15 a.m. then take a bus trip to Stuart Baker for a classroom visit from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Please sign up in advance. Pizza lunch back at the center on the bus return. Please ask about childcare for siblings.
- **May 24:** Fleming College's Sustainable Building Design & Construction Program will be hosting free guided tours of the current project underway in Minden. The R.D. Lawrence Place will function as a cultural facility & museum, constructed using sustainable methods & materials. Tours start on May 24 & will run on Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. at 174 Bobcaygeon Rd., directly behind the Minden Public Library. Call 457-7293 or visit www.sustainablebuilding2007.ca
- **May 24:** VON Foot Care Clinic starting at 9 a.m. Located in the Staunworth Court Lounge, Minden. Subsequent clinics the fourth Thurs. of the month. To book an appt. call 1-800-743-6255.
- **May 24:** Harmony Farm is growing - Our new location is #3092 on Hwy. #121 Just south of Crystal Lake Road. (705) 488-3300, 488-1749.
- **May 26:** The First Annual Yard Sale for the CURE will be held Sat., from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Minden Re/Max parking lot, sponsored by Re/Max Haliburton Highlands Realty Ltd. All proceeds will go to Breast Cancer Research. Join Re/Max & buy a treasure, and support an excellent cause. Donations for the sale will be greatly appreciated. Please call Gail Tempest at 286-2911.
- **May 26:** Free Gardening Seminars, 10 a.m. every Sat. until July 28. Compost Teas - What are they? How to use them & what they are good for. Hands on demo to show you how to make your own compost tea & apply it as a safe & natural fertilizer in your garden. 1765 Essonville Line, Wilberforce at Nature Girl Nursery. Follow Hwy. 118 East from Haliburton to Essonville Line. No registration required.
- **May 30:** Free Identity Theft & Consumer Fraud Seminar. Fraud is a growing crime in Ontario, and it is the number one crime against vulnerable adults, including seniors, with older women in particular being the prime targets. Learn to protect yourself from fraud. Recognize it, report it, stop it! This seminar will be held at the Wigamog Inn from 1-4 p.m. Please call 457-2941 to register or for more info.
- **June 1, 2 & 3:** The 29th Haliburton Home & Cottage Show at the Dysart Arena & Curling Club. Over 120 exhibitors will showcase new products & services that provide help for any project... a great place to see the newest decorating ideas or find that perfect gift. Parking is free. For cost or further information call Wayne Hussey at 457-2892.

ONGOING EVENTS

- **Every day a new picture** of Haliburton County, and sometimes beyond. Just visit www.jackbush.my-expressions.com. every day. A great reminder of why we all love living right here.
- **Ladies:** Join the Haliburton Highlands Women's Golf league. 9 & 18 hole schedules to choose from. Join as a single (we help find you a foursome) at discounted green fees. All levels of players & coteagers are welcome to join. For more info. call Mary Lou at 455-9266.
- **Every Thursday:** Haliburton Area Motorcycle Social (H.A.M.S.). Meet other motorcyclists at the Federal Dock, Head Lake in Haliburton every Thursday at 6:15 p.m. Ride leaves at 6:30 p.m. Every one, make, and type is welcome. Contact: Dale McCrea at 448-1023.
- **Ontario Early Years, Minden:** Come and enjoy the outside playground that is open for the year or drop in & join us for circle, crafts & activities. Our hours are Mon. to Thurs., 9:30 to 1 p.m. Phone 286-1770.
- **Coming in June:** Relay For Life -Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. Spectators Welcome! To find out more information or to volunteer for this event, please follow the links at www.cancer.ca/relay or call Wendy Iles at 457-3517.
- **Fleming College's Academic Upgrading** program can help you get a better job or enter College. The program is Free with open registration & flexible hours. Work at your own pace in a relaxed environment to upgrade your skills or achieve your ACE certificate: the equivalent of Grade 12 for purposes of admission to college postsecondary & apprenticeship programming. Subsidies are avail. for childcare & travel. Call 457-4562 or visit us at the Training & Employment Resource Centre in Haliburton at the Village Court Plaza.
- **Community Care** has finalized their trip to: **Dirty Dancing** on Nov. 1 at the Princess of Wales Theatre in Toronto. Price includes transportation by highway coach, a delicious dinner, theatre tickets & all taxes & gratuities. Call Roxanne at 457-2941 for more info. or to reserve your seat.
- **Haliburton Legion, Br. 129** - Every Wednesday night is Bingo night. Early Bird starts at 7:00 p.m.
- **Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 636,** Minden holds its General Business Meeting on the first Wed. of each month at 7:30 p.m.
- **Mondays - Township of Algonquin Highlands** - For adults & seniors in the community, Euchre at Club 35 on Mondays at 7 p.m. For more info call: 489-2945.
- **Mondays - Adult Badminton:** Mondays 8 - 10 p.m. **Now until May 28/07** at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Minden. Join us for fun, fellowship & fitness. Call 286-1765 for further info.
- **Mondays - TOPS.** Take off pounds sensibly. Join us Mondays at Community Care. First meeting free. Weigh-in at 9:30-10 a.m. followed by short meeting. Call Don or Mary at 447-2420.
- **Tuesdays - Lakeside Baptist Church,** Park St., Haliburton - Grief Share Support Group. Tuesdays from 7-9 p.m. started Feb. 20 for 13 weeks. No charge to attend. A safe caring place to be when grief hurts. Please call Sue Bain at 457-2570 or Pat & Doug Hardy at 286-3635 to register.
- **Tuesdays: The Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group** meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge at the Highland Crest Senior Citizen's home in Minden. All men & the women who love them are welcome. Call Rick Ratcliff at 286-6699.
- **Tuesdays:** The Haliburton Highlands Handweavers & Spinners Guild meets on the second Tues. of each month at the Pritchard House across from the post office. Meetings begin at 1:30 p.m., new members welcome.
- **Tuesdays - Do you enjoy euchre, bridge, and other card games?** Come to the Card Night at the Fort Irwin's Residents' Assoc. Hall (FIRA) on Tues. evenings from 7-9 p.m. For more info call Ken Fuller at 754-3699.
- **Third Tuesday each month.** "Living with Cancer" a group for individuals who have been diagnosed with cancer, recently or in the past meets on the 3rd Tues. of the month. Call Dorothy or Linda at 457-1742 for information.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca, or brought in to the office. **Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.**
NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands.



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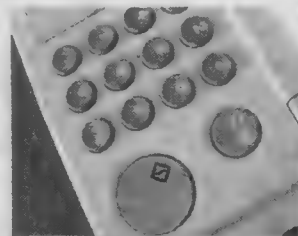
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Miscellaneous A230

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Miscellaneous A230

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Commercial/ Industrial A530

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Careers A780

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For The Health Of The Highlands

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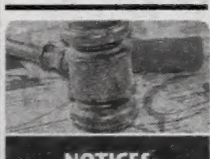
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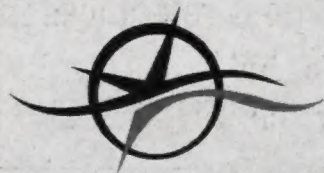
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It is with mixed emotions that we move on to what's next, for us. We are really looking forward to this but sad to say good-bye as well. We truly enjoyed the course and would not have been successful without all of you, your words of encouragement and continual support. From the bottom of our hearts we thank you!

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BBQ Lunch
Sunday June 3rd
At The Clubhouse, 12 Noon

Following lunch you are invited to play a round of golf at a great rate! We hope you can join us as we say our good-byes and welcome Tanya Rosenberg and Mike Bogardis as the new owners.

Thanks,

Eldon, Dale and Jadon Bull



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Deaths

HENRY, Dorothy Lorraine nee Aylestock- March 31, 1925, peacefully at Ross Memorial Hospital, May 7, 2007. Mother of Deborah Murphy (Kevin), Robert Doxen (Lucy), Vivian Blackwood (Brend), Jane Braithwaite (Bryan). Sister of Rella Braithwaite and Howard Aylestock, predeceased by Frank, Lloyd, Mary, Addie, Donald. Grandmother of Josh (Tracy), Travis, Ebonne, Shyan, Morgan, Brendan, and great grandmother of Teegan. Aunt to many nieces and nephews. Thank you Palliative Care staff, Dr. Cescan, Dr. Couture and Marie for your care and concern. Memorial Service, **Shiloh Christian Centre**, Cty. Rd. 8 Fenelon Falls, Sat. June 16, 11:00am, 738-1620. Potluck to follow. Donations can be made to Shiloh Christian Centre or the Canadian Cancer Society.

LaRUE, Wilda- (Resident of Haliburton, Ontario) Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday evening, May 15, 2007 in her 91st year. Beloved wife of the late Albert John LaRue (1987). Loving mother of Scott and his wife Emily LaRue of Haliburton. Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Chantal (Rod Thurston) of Haliburton, Tran LaRue (Tammy), Noelle all of Barrie and Danielle (Scott McGuire) of Collingwood and her great grandchildren Chase, Molly, Chad, Breana, Pierce and Lara. Predeceased by her brothers Raymond Scott & Murray Scott. Also lovingly remembered by her nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, and her sister-in-law Cecilia Scott.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Friends may call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Friday evening, May 18, 2007 from 7-9 p.m. Then to **LAKE-SIDE BAPTIST CHURCH** 9 Park Street, Haliburton, Ontario on Saturday morning, May 19, 2007 for visitation from 10 o'clock until time of Funeral Service at 11 o'clock. Interment West Guilford Baptist Church Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy donations to Lakeside Baptist Church or the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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REDNER, Hughena Ellen - Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Monday, May 14, 2007. In her 85th year.

Beloved wife of the late Clarence M. Redner. Loving mother of Ray (deceased) and his wife Jeannette of Matchewan, Pat and her husband Woody Limebeer of Bownmanville, Sue and her husband Bob Robinson of Minden. Loving grandma of Steven and Mel, Karen and Steph, Toby and Joanne, Robin, Curtis, Andrea and Geoff, great grandma of Destiny, Kay-dence, and Evan, predeceased by grandson Kevin. Dear sister of Ivan and Pearl Kernohan. Fondly remembered by Jeannette's children Raymond and Steven Paquette and by many nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the **Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, 127 Main St., P.O. Box 427, Minden www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com on Thursday evening from 7-9 pm and on Friday, May 18, 2007 from 1:00 pm until the time of the Funeral Service in the chapel at 2:00 pm.

Interment at St. Peter's Anglican Church Cemetery, Maple Lake. Reception to follow at the church (downstairs)

Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family.

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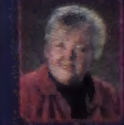
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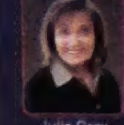
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2 cottages for the price of one: The first cottage features 3 bdrms., w/a 3 pc. bath. The second is open concept & ready for you to put your finishing touches on it. A creek runs through the property separating the 2 cottages & creating a private site for each.
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Motel & Restaurant: Here is your chance to own this very active commercial enterprise on Hwy. #35 just south of Minden. Open year round. Many upgrades 4+ ac. Room for expansion.
Call Fred Chapple



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Maple Lake Sunsets: 4 season waterfront cottage, w/a European flair. Cottage features large beams, wood accents, cath. ceiling, 3 bdrm. plus loft, sunset views over Maple Lake (part of a 3 lake chain). Property consists of 1.47 acres, on yr. rd. priv. road, w/sand shoreline, great for families of all ages.
Call Deb Deremo



Asking \$137,900

Waterfront Lot: This waterfront lot is located in the east region of Haliburton County on Harding Lake. Boasting 175' frontage & ultimate privacy, this lot has everything you are looking for on a small, quiet, clean lake.
Call Vince Duchene



\$359,900

Benoit Lake: This 3 bdrm. cottage is your yr. rd. escape! It's bright, clean & well maintained. Privately located, it offers a level lot for all ages, towering pines, garage & bunkie for the kids, this combined w/34 miles of boating & easy access to the benefits of Algonquin Park make this property worth considering.
Call Rick Forget & Iona Fevreau



\$59,000

100 Acres with Beaver Pond: This 100 acre parcel features a mixed forest w/approximately a 25 acre beaver pond and 10 acres of lowlands. Hydro poles along the road.
Call Lenor Fulton



\$199,000

Contau Lake: Rare find - bright & affordable 3 bdrm. cottage on peaceful lake. Spacious kit. & DR with w/o to large deck. Sunny south exp., beautiful view of lake. Terraced lot w/good privacy & easy access to deck & dock for safe swimming & boating. Airtight, EBB heat, septic & bunkie/storage. 75' approx. from municipal road to driveway can be ploughed.
Call Julie Gray



Close to Ski Hill: Beautiful, warm & inviting country home w/lots of privacy. Close to ski hill, public beach & shopping. Talk to Marilyn Hawley for details.
Call Marilyn Hawley



Minden: This custom built 2300 sq. ft. home features: 5 bdrms., 4 baths, in-ground heated pool, two car att., garage, full finished bsmt. w/wine cellar, exquisite one of a kind kitchen, new septic system & new Western cedar shingled roof. Check out the virtual tour at www.BillKulas.com
Call Bill Kulas to view today.



\$629,000

Little Redstone: 2 yr. old, 4 season cottage/home. Exceptional privacy w/over 500 ft. frontage, sand beach & rock shoreline w/Eastern exposure. 3 bdrms., 2 full washrooms & fully finished w/o bsmt. Pine intr. w/cath. ceiling Great Room, open concept, multi level. Restful leisure awaits you here!
Call Cathy Lencic



\$179,900

Lovely Home w/ deeded access: Very nice 3 bdrm. home/cottage w/lovely deeded access to Miskwabi Lake. Yr. rd. w/full fin. bsmt. & w/o to cozy screened sunroom & detached garage. Main floor is bright & offers open kitchen/LR. Large yard nicely landscaped w/lots of perennials. Shows pride of ownership.
Call Denise LeBlanc



\$249,900

Wilberforce (Deeded Access): Screened gazebo off deck to large in-ground swimming pool! 4 bdrms., 2 baths, many upgrades incl. wood floors, kit., CAD 5 internet/cable most rms, double car/shop det., single gar. att., & large finished bsmt. Manicured lot w/raised perennial, vegetable & herb gardens, & a pond finish this park like picture!
Call Richard Morris



\$39,900

Vacant Building Lot: Great building lot between Haliburton & West Gullford, well treed, drilled well over 5 acres.
Call Erin Nichols



\$499,000

Little Kennisis Lake: 4 season cottage on spectacular lot w/142 ft. shoreline on prestigious lake! Wood interior, vaulted ceiling, 3 bedrooms, oak kitchen, DR, LR w/floor to ceiling FP, 4 pc. bath. This property exemplifies cottage life!
Call Karen Nunnigan



\$229,000

Minden - Waterfront: Home on Gull River, 100 ft. frtg. immaculately maintained, town water & sewer, recent renos to kitchen & bath, 2 separate garages plus workshop, new propane FP.
E-mail: blake.obyrne@hotmail.com
Call Blake O'Byrne



\$329,900

Drag Lake: Immaculate & cozy 3 bdrm. cottage, natty pine walls & ceiling, sand/rock shoreline, great swimming, winterized water, year round private road, boat to Drag & Spruce Lakes!
Call Mary Hunter & John Parish



\$179,000

Sedgewick Road: Lovely family home in a rural setting. 3 bdrms. w/master having an ensuite. Pine floors throughout except for bathrooms & kitchen. Dining area has w/o to private back yard deck overlooking 2+ acres of cleared land offering a private yard for the whole family. Unfinished basement w/o.
Call Tom & Gail Tempert



\$434,000

Country Living at Maple Lake: Breathtaking sunsets & view from this immaculately maint. 2 bdrm. home/cottage. Open concept LR/DR/Kit. areas, vaulted pine ceilings, pine & cork floors, main floor ldr. 2 FPs w/wood airtight inserts add warmth & charm, fully fin. lower level with w/o to private patio. Yr. rd. access. Boating on 3-lake chain.
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Asking \$499,000

Little Kennisis Lake: Customized Vicory waterfront home/cottage w/2100 sq. ft. of living space, w/o LR w/FP, modern kitchen, 3+1 bdrms., 2 bathrooms, partially finished bsmt., FAE heating, gentle lot nicely treed.
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\$139,000

Minden-in-town home: Nice little 3 bdrm. house on quiet street. Tons of character & recently renovated. Walk to all amenities, municipal water & sewers. Large backyard with lots of room for kids & dogs to play.
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